

## MILPERSMAN 1210-310

### NAVY OCEAN FACILITIES PROGRAM (OFP) OFFICER

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<b>References</b>	(a) NAVPERS 15839I, Manual of Navy Officer Manpower and Personnel Classification, Volume 1, Major Code Structures (b) OPNAVINST 1520.23B (c) NAVPERS 15665I, U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations
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1. **Designation.** Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFACENGCOM), Director Navy Ocean Facilities Program (NAVFAC OFP) designates qualified **Civil Engineer Corps (CEC)** officers as **Navy Ocean Facilities Program (OFP)** officers. Upon qualification, Navy OFP officers may be assigned to CEC billets which are designated as 1103 subspecialty billets per reference (a).

**a. Qualifications for CEC officers with officer designation of 510X:**

(1) Completion of Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) approved curriculum No. 472, leading to a Masters Degree in Ocean Engineering per reference (b), or equivalent education and fulfillment of all requirements necessary to obtain the 1103 subspecialty code.

(2) Meet the requirements of a designated "Basic Diving Officer" prescribed in MILPERSMAN 1210-140.

**b. Qualifications for CEC officers with officer designation of 653X or 753X:**

(1) Appropriate experience and demonstrated proficiency in technical aspects and management of underwater construction and ocean facilities related projects.

(2) Meet the requirements of a designated "Basic Diving Officer" prescribed in MILPERSMAN 1210-140.

2. **Eligibility.** NAVFACENGCOM (NAVFAC OFP) may grant or processes a waiver on a case-by-case basis. Members applying for accession into the Navy OFP must satisfy the following requirements:

a. **Designation/Rank.** Be serving as a U.S. Navy CEC officer (510x, 653x, or 753x). Applicants must be of the rank of lieutenant or below, and must not be in-zone for promotion to lieutenant commander at the time of application.

b. **Obligated Service (OBLISERV).** Subsequent to completion of graduate school and dive training, agree to serve on active duty for a specified period per reference (b) and MILPERSMAN 1210-140, or until completion of previously acquired minimum OBLISERV, whichever is longer.

c. **Physical/Medical Requirements.** Meet all physical and medical requirements for Basic Diving Officer prescribed in MILPERSMAN 1210-140. Specific qualifications are as follows:

(1) Interview by a Navy OFP officer serving on active duty who is at least one paygrade senior to the applicant. The screening interview provides an opportunity for the Navy OFP office to further evaluate each applicant's suitability and motivation for the program.

(2) Vision correctable to 20/20, and not less than 20/200 in each eye, uncorrected. Waivers can be granted on a case-by-case basis for vision acuity less than 20/200 in each eye.

(3) Deficient color vision by Farnsworth Lantern Test is a disqualifying factor; however, waivers may be granted.

(4) Maximum age is 35 but may be waived.

(5) Must have the ability to equalize pressure (VALSALVA).

(6) High blood pressure is disqualifying. If one high reading is observed, others should be taken at intervals over a several-day period to determine the validity of the first reading.

(7) Candidates must be Department of Defense (DOD) dental class 1 or 2 prior to diver training.

(8) SF 88 (Rev. 10-94), Report of Medical Examination and SF 93 (Rev. 6-96), Report of Medical History must be submitted to

a qualified diving medical officer for review upon completion of diver physical. SF 88 should state the purpose as "Diving Duty."

(9) If above the Navy weight standards, the applicant must submit waiver request with front and side view photographs.

(10) Successfully complete hyperbaric chamber pressure tolerance test to a pressure equivalent of 60 feet of seawater. Contact nearest recompression chamber facility or Navy diving command for arrangement to take this test. **NOTE:** This test may be performed only after completion of medical screening as outlined above.

(11) Physically qualified as demonstrated by ability to perform following:

- (a) **500 yard swim (within 14 min.)**
- (b) **42 push-ups, 50 sit-ups**
- (c) **6 pull-ups**
- (d) **one and one-half mile run (within 12 min. 45 sec.)**

There are stringent requirements on how these must be performed (see MILPERSMAN 1220-100 through 1220-330). **NOTE:** This physical fitness test can be administered by any command physical readiness test (PRT) coordinator; however, it is incumbent upon both the applicant and the PRT coordinator to ensure the screening test is administered as prescribed. Failure to do so could result in rejection or disenrollment of the applicant by Naval Diving and Salvage Training Center (NDSTC) before or at any time during dive training.

### **3. Application**

a. **Letter Format.** Applications for acceptance into the Navy OFP shall be submitted via the applicant's commanding officer (CO) and Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED) to NAVFAC OFP in the following format (use proper letter format):

From: (Rank, Name, SSN (xxxx-xxx-1234, last four)/Designator)  
To: Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command  
(NAVFAC OFP)  
Via: (1) Commanding Officer  
(2) Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED-M3F7)

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Ref: (a) MILPERSMAN 1210-310  
(b) NAVMED P-117, Manual of the Medical Department,  
Article 15-36, Diving Duty

Encl: (1) SF 88, Report of Medical Examination  
(2) SF 93, Report of Medical History  
(3) NAVMED 6150/2, Special Duty Medical Abstract  
(report of hyperbaric chamber pressure  
tolerance test)  
(4) Report of physical fitness screening test  
(5) Report of interview with a Navy OFP officer  
(state rank and name of interviewer)  
(6) SF 86, Questionnaire for National  
Security Positions

1. Per reference (a), I respectfully request acceptance into the Navy Ocean Facilities Program. I understand that this request constitutes a request to pursue the 1103P subspecialty designation as well as a voluntary request for Navy Basic Diving Officer training.

2. Based on the results of enclosures (1) through (5) and per references (a) and (b), I submit my eligibility for Navy dive training (or, as applicable, I request a waiver to the following requirements - specify requirements and circumstances of waiver request).

3. I understand the nature of the training associated with this request, and agree to

a. serve on active duty for a period of about 5 years (about 3 years, 2 months for Graduate School and 2 years for Dive Training) or until completion of previously acquired minimum obligated service, whichever is greater, subsequent to completion of training unless released earlier by Navy Personnel Command.

b. serve the minimum obligated service specified, regardless of whether I retain diving qualification for 5 years.

4. I have answered the questions in enclosure (6) truthfully and accurately.

(Signature)

Copy to:

NAVPERSCOM (PERS-463)

NAVFACENGCOM (NAVFAC OFP)

b. **Endorsement Format** (use proper endorsement format):

From: Commanding Officer

To: Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command  
(NAVFAC OFP)

Via: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED-M3F7)

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1. Forwarded.

2. Commanding officer's recommendation regarding the officer's suitability for accession into the Navy Ocean Facilities Program.

3. Statement regarding availability of the officer.

(Signature)

4. **Application Screening**. Submit the application package as indicated above, with copy to Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM), Civil Engineering Corps Branch (PERS-463) and the NAVFACENGCOM (NAVFAC OFP) office secretary (NFESC 07S).

5. **Training**. CEC officers whose officer designator is 510X and who voluntarily or involuntarily disenroll from their Ocean Engineering Graduate School Program (NPS approved curriculum No. 472), or from initial diving training, will be made available for reassignment by NAVPERSCOM (PERS-463). Administrative action will be taken to cancel the agreement to extend officer service and to determine the remaining active duty obligation. The officer will also be dropped, and will not be eligible for further consideration to the Navy OFP.

6. **Insignia**. Navy OFP officers are authorized to wear the "Basic Diving Officer" insignia upon attainment of the Diving Officer qualification per MILPERSMAN 1210-140, and prescribed by reference (c).

7. **Requalification**

a. The perishable skills of diving, which are inherent to the profession, are requirements of all Navy OFP officers (subspecialty 1103). COs are directed to provide every opportunity for Navy OFP officer qualifications to be maintained in the proper proficiency and periodicity.

b. Diving requalification will be conducted per MILPERSMAN 1210-140.

8. **Revocation/Reinstatement of Qualifications**

a. Officers may request removal of diving related Navy officer billet classifications (NOBCs) or additional qualification designators (AQDs) by sending a letter to NAVPERSCOM, Special Operations Branch (EOD) (PERS-416), via their chain of command and NAVFACENGCOM (NAVFAC OFP). Removal of the diving NOBCs or AQDs will disenroll the officer from the Navy OFP.

b. Revocation of Diving Officer designations shall be considered only by an appointed board convened by the appropriate CO in the officer's chain of command. The board shall have at least one Navy OFP officer with the rank of lieutenant commander or senior. The board shall evaluate the operational ability, motivation, and reliability of officers in their performance of duty. The board's recommendation shall be forwarded via the convening authority and NAVFACENGCOM (NAVFAC OFP) to NAVPERSCOM (PERS-416) for final determination.

Revocation of Diving Officer designator by NAVPERSCOM (PERS-416) will disenroll the officer from the Navy OFP.

c. Officers may request reinstatement of former diving designation by sending a letter to NAVPERSCOM (PERS-416) via their CO and NAVFACENGCOM (NAVFAC OFP). Requests for reinstatement should include appropriate statement from the officer application format discussed previously.